

is the fifth game this year that we've won in the last 30 seconds of the game. They just refuse to lose," Davidson said in the Lafayette Daily Advertiser.

Madam Speaker, with this victory, Acadiana High School's Wreckin Rams have made the residents of their entire state proud. I enter into the official CONGRESSIONAL RECORD the names of these players and their coaches, and I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating them for their achievement.

State Champions: Justin Green, Dvan Alexander, Kip Jacob*, Jeb Stefan, Louis Hollier, Jonathan Morvant, Javinas Faulk*, Daniel August*, DJ St. Julien, Desmond Sam, Terrence Sinegal, Tory Caudill, Brian Sinegal, Jordan Figaro*, John Dean, Darius Eaglin*, Chris White, Kyle Ramsey, Sam Boersma*, Jarred Evans, Chris Nguyen, Jeremy Griggs, Terrance Broussard, Brad Melancon, Austin Romein, Jeremy Fontenot*, Daniel Arabie, Ethan Piazza, Jordan Burt, Keevan Breau, Jarrid Durand, Dexter Bruno, Trent Noel, Fletcher Sanders*, Jordan Boykin*, Jordan Himel, Chase Southerland, Lora Parker, Whitney Duplechin, Tayla Davis, Josh Bourque, Coach Bob Fabre, Coach Scott McCullough, Coach Ted Davidson, Cody Labat, David Guidry, Cody Mandell, Coach Myles Casbon, Brett Polaski, Kalen Comeaux*, Anthony Johnson, Derek Richard*, Jeffrey Trahan, Kevin Elston, Marcus Sam*, Bobby Davidson, Drew Alleman, Dexter Hall*, Quincy Mouton, Chance Brossette, Donovan Gallien, Casey Latolais*, Hunter Thibodeaux, Kyle Hebert, Marcus Bazile, Lance Walker, Brandon Touchet*, Sheffield Taylor*, Jordan Magee, Aaron Guidry*, Sean McGovern, Matt Crooks, Hunter Hebert, Matt Boudreaux, Cherish Barton, Jared Prince, Dylan Terro, Robert Montgomery*, Taylor Wiggins, Mike Carvajal, Wilfred Journet*, Buck Smith*, Brady Hebert*, Chris Thibodeaux*, Spencer Trahan, Jesse Ledet, Jeremy Courville, Brent White, Brian White, Kynsi Sonnier, Ayriell Collins, Crystal Faulk, Coach Neal Lege, Coach Larry Breau, Coach Gary Fontenot, Coach Chris Mitchell, and Brandon Siner.

HONORING SPENCER COUNTY STUDENTS FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION IN NATIONAL HISTORY DAY

HON. RON LEWIS

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 31, 2007

Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize six remarkable students from the Spencer County School System for their participation and high achievement in the National History Day Competition held last year at the University of Maryland.

National History Day is an innovative history education program for students in grades 6–12 who are interested in improving their historical knowledge in a fun and challenging environment. Each year, students choose a topic congruent with an annual theme, conduct research, then synthesize and analyze their findings into a paper, exhibit, documentary or performance. These projects are then evaluated at the local, state, and national levels. Finalists from each level advance to the next round of competition.

This 2006 theme was "Taking a Stand." Spencer County students, who placed first or second at the state contest held at the Ken-

tucky History Center in Frankfort last April, traveled to Washington, D.C. to compete in the national contest at the University of Maryland, June 15–19, 2006. Together, they demonstrated great academic prowess, teamwork and sportsmanship before a regional audience, representing competitive values that make Kentucky proud.

I would like to commend Maureen McCoy, Paige Walls, Joel Fickel, Ashleigh Steever, Chase Thomas and Breisa Baker for their accomplishment. I would also like to recognize the effort and support of their coaches. I am very proud to represent these students, educators and their families.

I ask my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in congratulating these students for their achievement and wish them continued success in their promising future years.

IN HONOR OF JULIUS STORTI

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 31, 2007

Mr. KUCINICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor and recognition of Julius Storti, upon his retirement from Transformer Engineering Corporation (TEC). His tenure at TEC spans sixty-three years, and is framed by integrity, innovation, excellence, friendship and unwavering loyalty and dedication.

Mr. Storti began working at TEC in the summer of 1943, while still in high school. His interest in electrical work was sparked while a student at Lincoln High School, where he assisted a teacher with an electrical course. At TEC, Mr. Storti became highly skilled in all areas, yet his primary work and expertise focused on hand & multiple winding, an area in which he is considered an expert.

A devoted family man, Mr. Storti was also surrounded by family and friends at TEC. He met his wife, Dorothy at TEC, and lovingly cared for her until her recent passing. Together they raised their daughter, Anne. He also worked alongside his childhood friend, George Kolsenicky, and his brother-in-law, the late Paul Yachanin. Mr. Storti's kind and humble nature consistently shone through at TEC, and his professional integrity and strong work ethic never wavered. Although a talented and dedicated employee, the center of Mr. Storti's life continues to be his family and close friends.

Speaker and Colleagues, please join me in honor and celebration of Mr. Julius Storti, whose sixty-three year tenure at Transformer Engineering Corporation is defined by kindness, patience, expertise and willingness to extend a helping hand to anyone in need. Mr. Storti created bonds of friendship at TEC that will never be broken, and he will be deeply missed by all. I wish Mr. Storti and his family an abundance of health, peace and happiness as he journeys onward from here.

HONORING G. MARTIN "MARTY" WAGNER

HON. TOM DAVIS

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 31, 2007

Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. G. Martin "Marty" Wagner for over 31 years of dedicated service to the Federal government.

Through Mr. Wagner's current role as Deputy Commissioner of Federal Acquisition Services, and previously as Acting Commissioner and Acting Deputy Commissioner, he oversaw the acquisition of more than \$50 billion of goods and services for various federal agencies. He managed a workforce of more than 4,000 associates who helped the Federal government find, buy and manage all federal non-real estate services.

Mr. Wagner led initiatives that set the tone and direction for major changes in government-wide management. He has played a key role in promoting electronic government, in using commercial contracts and approaches, and in putting performance measures into practice. Such initiatives include the creation of FirstGov, the Government's Internet portal; and FedbizOpps, the gateway for all federal procurements.

During Mr. Wagner's career he has been honored for his good work and accomplishments as a premier civil servant. Mr. Wagner received the Meritorious Presidential Rank for his career achievements as well as his efforts in leading the administration's effort to reinvent the federal management process. He also received the Distinguished Presidential Rank for his work to improve federal management, specifically the implementation of a new management framework to reflect modern management principles and effective uses of technology. Finally, Mr. Wagner received the General Services Administration's "Giraffe Award" for "sticking his neck out" and taking risks to improve various GSA programs. These recognitions illustrate the kind of results-oriented federal employee he is.

Whether Mr. Wagner was instituting the massive modernization of the federal telecommunications system, establishing improved customer and employee management systems, or taking the simple, personal step of adding Brail to his business cards, Mr. Wagner has always worked to ensure that everyone had improved access to the federal government.

Madam Speaker, in closing, I would like to commend and congratulate Mr. Wagner on all of his achievements. I call upon my colleagues to join me in applauding Marty for his past accomplishments and in wishing him continued success in the years to come.

HIRE A VETERAN WEEK

SPEECH OF

HON. BILL SALI

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 30, 2007

Mr. SALI. Madam Speaker, it is an honor to join with my colleagues this week in support of the "Hire a Veteran Week" resolution.